

## Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport Traffic Update March 2016

### Passenger Traffic

Total passenger traffic for March 2016 was 2,876,672, up 8.2 percent over March last year. Domestic traffic increased by 6.9 percent. International traffic was up 13.5 percent.

March was the 24<sup>th</sup> consecutive month of positive growth in total passenger traffic. International traffic has had double digit growth for 25 out of the last 28 months.

### Operations

Air Carrier operations were 24,463, up 4.5 percent over last year. General Aviation was 4,003, down 1.6 percent. Total aircraft operations were 28,466, up 3.6 percent over March 2015.

### Top 10 Carriers

The performance of FLL's top 10 carriers for March 2016 is listed below.

	2015	2016	% Change	Absolute	Share
<b>JetBlue</b>	<b>521,713</b>	<b>640,423</b>	<b>22.8%</b>	<b>118,710</b>	<b>22.3%</b>
<b>Southwest</b>	<b>490,870</b>	<b>520,397</b>	<b>6.0%</b>	<b>29,527</b>	<b>18.1%</b>
<b>Spirit</b>	<b>442,464</b>	<b>487,895</b>	<b>10.3%</b>	<b>45,431</b>	<b>17.0%</b>
<b>Delta</b>	<b>336,199</b>	<b>335,387</b>	<b>-0.2%</b>	<b>-812</b>	<b>11.7%</b>
<b>American/US</b>	<b>277,444</b>	<b>281,249</b>	<b>1.4%</b>	<b>3,805</b>	<b>9.8%</b>
<b>United</b>	<b>171,711</b>	<b>184,050</b>	<b>7.2%</b>	<b>12,339</b>	<b>6.4%</b>
<b>Air Canada</b>	<b>115,491</b>	<b>122,810</b>	<b>6.3%</b>	<b>7,319</b>	<b>4.3%</b>
<b>Allegiant</b>	<b>32,255</b>	<b>58,104</b>	<b>80.1%</b>	<b>25,849</b>	<b>2.0%</b>
<b>Virgin America</b>	<b>44,592</b>	<b>44,117</b>	<b>-1.1%</b>	<b>-475</b>	<b>1.5%</b>
<b>Silver</b>	<b>32,891</b>	<b>30,659</b>	<b>-6.8%</b>	<b>-2,232</b>	<b>1.1%</b>

### Canadian Traffic Update

As mentioned in previous recaps, Canadian currency vs. U.S. dollar has been on the decline for the past few years. That coupled with the mild winter and impact of low oil prices on the Canadian economy has led to a relatively flat season.

Canadian traffic for March and the winter season is in the chart below. Total Canadian traffic was up 2.3% for March and 1.6 percent for the season. (If you factor out the extra day in February due to leap year, Canadian traffic was down .4 percent for the season) Air Canada and Air Transat managed positive growth but Sunwing and Westjet were down considerably. Sunwing in particular has had several cancelations and irregular operations.

	<b>Mar 2015</b>	<b>Mar 2016</b>	<b>% Change</b>	<b>Nov-Mar 14/15</b>	<b>Nov-Mar 15/16</b>	<b>% Change</b>
<b>Air Canada</b>	<b>115,491</b>	<b>122,810</b>	<b>6.3%</b>	<b>426,453</b>	<b>450,037</b>	<b>5.5%</b>
<b>Air Transat</b>	<b>12,262</b>	<b>14,165</b>	<b>15.5%</b>	<b>53,836</b>	<b>60,017</b>	<b>11.5%</b>
<b>Sunwing</b>	<b>14,685</b>	<b>13,039</b>	<b>-11.2%</b>	<b>62,612</b>	<b>57,480</b>	<b>-8.2%</b>
<b>Westjet</b>	<b>30,578</b>	<b>26,941</b>	<b>-11.9%</b>	<b>145,416</b>	<b>131,911</b>	<b>-9.3%</b>
<b>TTL</b>	<b>173,016</b>	<b>176,955</b>	<b>2.3%</b>	<b>688,317</b>	<b>699,445</b>	<b>1.6%</b>

2016 Recent/New service:

JetBlue

- Aguadilla (Puerto Rico) in May.
- Nashville in May.
- San Diego in June.
- New Orleans in September.

Spirit

- New service to Philadelphia in April.

Norwegian Air Shuttle

- Very exciting new service to Paris in August.

Southwest

- The much anticipated entry into the international market at FLL with Nassau service starting in August.

## Traffic Outlook

The chart below shows the 2016 vs. 2015 month over month increase in scheduled available seats. Passenger traffic should respond accordingly.



The outlook for 2016 is very positive. Based on published airline schedules and historical data, 2016 should end with total traffic up close to 9 percent over last year. FLL could reach 29 million passengers for the calendar year.